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Ms. Rachel Falsetti  
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Dear Ms. Falsetti:

SANDAG requests the approval of Amendment No. 17 to the 2002 RTIP for two projects – the Foothill Transportation Corridor (SR 241) and the San Ysidro Intermodal Rail Yard. Specific project information is shown in the attached Table 1. Both of these projects are included in the 2030 Regional Transportation Plan and all necessary air quality conformity analyses were conducted. Although technically, these two projects would be considered 'new,' these projects were included in previous RTIP documents.

As you are well aware, SANDAG, along with other MPOs in the state, is operating under challenging conditions given the constraints issued by the federal agencies. SANDAG is attempting to continue to find innovative ways to keep important projects moving.

As stated above, air quality emissions analysis has been conducted for Amendment No. 17. In addition, the SR 241 project is 100 percent privately funded and the Intermodal project is funded with earmarked federal Demonstration funds and matched with the San Diego and Arizona Eastern Rail Road funds. There is no fiscal impact to the region. All TCMs identified in the approved SIP have been implemented.

Thank you for your consideration and if you have any questions, please contact Sookyung Kim at (619) 699-6909.

Sincerely,

  
GARY L. GALLEGOS  
Executive Director

Attachment

cc: Transportation Corridor Agency  
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**Table 1**  
**2002 Regional Transportation Improvement Program**  
**Amendment No. 17**  
**San Diego Region (in \$000s)**

**SANDAG**

<b>MPO ID:</b> New Project		<b>CAPACITY STATUS:</b> NCI	
<b>TITLE:</b> San Ysidro Intermodal Rail Yard			
<b>DESCRIPTION:</b> Preliminary engineering, design and site planning for the intermodal freight yard			
<b>Change Reason:</b> New Project - carryover from 2000 RTIP			
<b>FUND TYPE</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>PRIOR</b>	<b>02/03</b> <b>03/04</b> <b>04/05</b> <b>05/06</b> <b>06/07</b> <b>PE</b> <b>RW</b> <b>CON</b>
DEMO	\$1,280		\$480   \$800   \$1,280
Private Funds	\$320		\$120   \$200   \$320
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$1,600</b>		<b>\$600   \$1,000   \$1,600</b>

**Transportation Corridor Agency**

<b>MPO ID:</b> New Project		<b>CAPACITY STATUS:</b> CI	
<b>TITLE:</b> Foothill Transportation Corridor South			
<b>DESCRIPTION:</b> Oso Parkway to I-5 - A 16-mile (5.5 miles in San Diego County) toll road			
<b>Change Reason:</b> New Project - carryover from 2000 RTIP			
<b>FUND TYPE</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>PRIOR</b>	<b>02/03</b> <b>03/04</b> <b>04/05</b> <b>05/06</b> <b>06/07</b> <b>PE</b> <b>RW</b> <b>CON</b>
Private Funds	\$257,360	\$720	\$360   \$27,720   \$100,200   \$75,200   \$53,160   \$2,160   \$50,000   \$205,200
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$257,360</b>	<b>\$720</b>	<b>\$360   \$27,720   \$100,200   \$75,200   \$53,160   \$2,160   \$50,000   \$205,200</b>